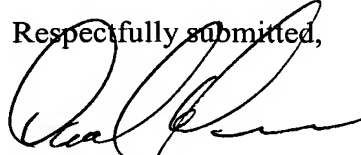


REMARKS

Claims 1 - 9 are pending in this application. By this Amendment, claims 3 - 7 are amended to eliminate multiple dependencies. The specification is also amended to update the title. Prompt and favorable consideration on the merits is respectfully requested.

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